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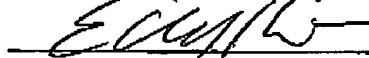
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Docket No. 03500.015320.

KATSUHISA OGAWA, et al.

Examiner: J. Janvier

Application No.: 09/840,166

Group Art Unit: 3622

Filed: April 24, 2001

Date: July 21, 2006

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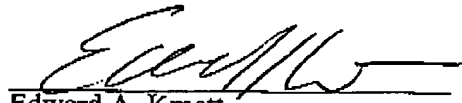
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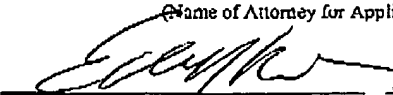
In response to the Restriction Requirement dated June 30, 2006, Applicants hereby provisionally elect to prosecute the Group I claims, namely Claims 1 to 14. The election is made without traversal.

Additionally, prior to further examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

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